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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
9 AT SEATTLE

10 TERI K. SAHM,

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

13 ONSLOW BAY FINANCIAL, LLC, *ET*
AL.,

14 Defendants.

CASE NO. C19-2090 RSM

ORDER PARTIALLY GRANTING
PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME

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16 Plaintiff, acting *pro se*, initiated this action on December 27, 2019 against Defendants
17 under a variety of federal statutes. Dkt. #1. The Court granted Plaintiff's application to proceed
18 *in forma pauperis* under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1). Dkt. #4.

19 On February 14, 2020, the Court issued an Order to Show Cause on or before Friday,
20 February 28, 2020. Dkt. #9. The Court ordered Plaintiff to write "a short and plain statement
21 telling the Court (1) the separate causes of action upon which his claims are based, (2) how
22 Defendants violated each of those laws causing harm to Plaintiff, and (3) why this case should
23 not be dismissed without prejudice. **This Response may not exceed six (6) double-spaced**
24 **pages.**" *Id.* at 3 (emphasis in original).

1 On February 21, 2020, Plaintiff filed a Motion to Extend Deadlines (Dkt. #10), which the
2 Court interprets as a motion to extend the deadline for her response to the Court's show cause
3 order. Plaintiff requests an extension of forty-five (45) days in which to "consult as necessary"
4 and "to adequately prepare." *Id.* at 1. Defendants have not filed a response at this time. In the
5 interest of providing Plaintiff with ample notice of her new deadline to respond to the Court's
6 show cause order, the Court will issue this Order before the noting date on March 6, 2020.

7 Federal Rules of Civil Procedure allow a court to extend the time before a deadline
8 elapses for "good cause." Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(b)(1)(A). Here, Plaintiff has not shown good cause
9 to grant her forty-five additional days to provide a response no longer than six (6) pages.
10 However, considering Plaintiff's *pro se* status, the Court will allow Plaintiff a short extension of
11 time. *See Alvarez v. Hill*, 518 F.3d 1152, 1158 (9th Cir. 2008) (affording *pro se* plaintiffs "the
12 benefit of any doubt").

13 In an abundance of caution, the Court will provide Plaintiff with **seven (7)** additional days
14 from the February 28, 2020 deadline to respond to the Court's order to show cause. The Court
15 reminds Plaintiff that her Response must be a **short and plain statement** that explains (1) the
16 separate causes of action upon which her claims are based; (2) how Defendants violated each of
17 those laws causing harm to Plaintiff; and (3) why this case should not be dismissed without
18 prejudice. This response **may not exceed six (6) double-spaced pages**, including attachments
19 or exhibits. The Court will take no further action in this case until Plaintiff has submitted this
20 Response. Failure to file a Response will result in dismissal of this case.

21 CONCLUSION

22 The Court hereby finds and ORDERS that Plaintiff's Motion for Extension of Time (Dkt.
23 #10) is PARTIALLY GRANTED. Plaintiff shall file her Response to the Court's February 14,

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2 2020 Order to Show Cause no later than **March 6, 2020**.

3 DATED this 26th day of February 2020.

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5 RICARDO S. MARTINEZ
6 CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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